

Order

Michigan Supreme Court
Lansing, Michigan

October 1, 2014

Robert P. Young, Jr.,
Chief Justice

ADM File No. 2013-27

Michael F. Cavanagh
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Amendments of Rule 2.203 of
the Michigan Court Rules

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On order of the Court, notice of the proposed changes and an opportunity for comment in writing and at a public hearing having been provided, and consideration having been given to the comments received, the following amendments of MCR 2.203 are adopted, effective January 1, 2015.

[The present language is amended as indicated below by underlining
for new text and strikeover for text that has been deleted.]

Rule 2.203 Joinder of Claims, Counterclaims, and Cross-Claims

(A)-(F)[Unchanged.]

(G) Joining Additional Parties

- (1) Persons Who May be Joined. Persons other than those made parties to the original action may be made parties to a counterclaim or cross-claim, subject to MCR 2.205 and 2.206.
- (2) Summons. On the filing of a counterclaim or cross-claim adding new parties, the court clerk shall issue a summons for each new party in the same manner as on the filing of a complaint, as provided in MCR 2.102(A)-(C). Unless the court orders otherwise, the summons is valid for 21 days after the court issues it.

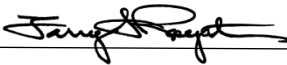
Staff Comment: These amendments of MCR 2.203, submitted by the State Bar of Michigan Representative Assembly, add explicit language allowing parties to be added to a counterclaim or cross-claim as otherwise provided by rule, and require that a court clerk issue a summons for those added parties.

The staff comment is not an authoritative construction by the Court.



I, Larry S. Royster, Clerk of the Michigan Supreme Court, certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the order entered at the direction of the Court.

October 1, 2014


Clerk